

TRINITY LUTHERAN CONGREGATION COUNCIL

December 14, 2022 • 8:00 p.m.

OPENING BUSINESS:

The Trinity Lutheran Congregation Council meeting was called to order by Saundy Solum at 8:26 p.m. on December 14, 2022.

Pr. Elizabeth opened the meeting with a prayer.

Members Present:

Pr. Elizabeth, Dan Alstad, Betty Dokken, Terry Holland, Michelle Jahnke, Kim Kapplinger, Steve Kemp, Bethany Moen, Laurie Moen, Steve Nelson, Saundy Solum, Judy Tollefsrud, Dean Wiste, Mary Zaffke

Secretary's Report for November 9, 2022 was read and approved. Laurie made a motion to approve the secretary minutes, seconded by Terry. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report (placed on file) Highlights listed below. Dean made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Betty. Motion carried.

• General fund balance	(11/30/2022)	\$14,413.10
• Youth Account balance	(11/30/2022)	\$22,166.24
• All Endowments balance	(11/30/2022)	\$14,822.11
• Special Checking balance	(11/30/2022)	\$201,592.10

STAFF REPORTS:

Pastor Elizabeth (see attachment)
Pastor Lane (see attachment)
Kerri Jahnke (see attachment)

TEAM REPORTS:

Care Ministry (Laurie)

- 42 Christmas cheer bags delivered on Saturday

Education (Bethany)

- Getting ready for the Christmas Program

Outreach (Terry)

- Funds from Empty Bowls, \$529.50 went to little pantry and Houston County Food Shelf

Mission (Dean)

- Thankful Gifts Catalogs are out

Staffing (Betty)

- All files have been updated.

Stewardship (Steve)

- Stewardship Christmas cards will be sent out next week.
- Will be discussing the annual meeting brunch that the Stewardship Team will be serving.

Worship (Kim)

- Church decorated.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

1. COVID protocols
Status quo
2. Master Planning update
3. Trinity Center
 - a. Winterize –
 - Got a used furnace – running at 42 degrees.
 - Drained as many pipes as possible. Added antifreeze to the pipes that could not be drained.
 - b. Appraisal Update
 - Al Friedland cannot do an appraisal for a commercial building. Al gave Dan some names of appraisers in Rochester. Could be \$1000 to \$4000 to have an appraisal. Appraisal has been paused.
 - Judy made a motion to offer the Trinity Center to the school for 50k, no second. Steve K made a motion to offer both parcels, which included the Trinity Center and the garage to the school for 30k with the contingency that Trinity can use the building for Release Time, seconded by Laurie. Motion carried.
4. Nominating committee update
 - 3 teams need leads – Stewardship, Mission in the World, and Worship
 - Kim Kapplinger will be president
5. Budget
 - Judy presented the 2023 Budget to the council. The budget has been increased and with a zero balance. 3% increase for all needs to be removed from line 184. Judy made a motion to accept the budget as presented, Dan seconded. Motion carried.
6. Beary Patch
 - They have funds left. Beary Patch Board will decide what to do with the funds.
 - The Beary Patch Board voted not to renew their license.
7. AED
 - Tweeten Health Care Board has money to donate money toward an AED. Will discuss more at the January.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Audit Committee
 - Judy reported that a discussion was held on the 2021 audit as information is still missing. It was decided that this was too late in the year and won't be too much advantage at this late time. It was decided to stop the audit and have Mike Betz give a report on his findings from what he had. The group emailed Mike from our meeting let him know our decision.
 - Judy made a motion that Barb Arnold and Kathy Overland to be the Audit committee, second by Kim. Motion carried.
2. Front entrance is blocked off due to safety concerns.
 - Steve K made a motion to open the front entrance during Christmas and then discuss at January meeting, Dean seconded. Motion carried.
3. January Meeting Time
 - a. Meeting time at 7:30 pm

4. Ed team meeting

- Transition confirmation program from a 3-year program to a 2 year program. Education Team voted. Will be having a meeting with parents of 8th grade and 9th grade.
- Confirmation in April 2023 for current 9th grade students. Current 8th grade graduates will be confirmed in October 2023.

LORD'S PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT

- Mary made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Dean seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m., followed by The Lord's Prayer.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at 7:30 p.m.

UPCOMING DATES:

- Submit reports for the Annual Report by December 28, 2022
- Annual Meeting February 5, 2023, following worship, at 10:30 a.m. Stewardship Team serving brunch
- Next newsletter items due December 23 – for BOTH January and February

Submitted by *Michelle Jahnke*